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REMARKS

Election Requirement

A restriction requirement has been imposed by the Examiner. Four groups have been identified. The Applicant will hereby elect for further prosecution the claims of Group I: Claims 1-12, 16-22, 24, 32-59, 63-69, 71, 77-96, 98-100, 102, and 104-112. The remaining claims are hereby withdrawn. The Applicant reserves the right to pursue the withdrawn claims in one or more divisional applications.

Request for Allowance

In view of the foregoing, consideration and an early allowance of this application are earnestly solicited.

If any matters remain which could be resolved in a telephone interview between the Examiner and the undersigned, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned to expedite resolution of any such matters. Please charge any additional required fee or credit any overpayment not otherwise paid or credited to our deposit account No. 50-1698.

Respectfully submitted, THELEN, REID, & PRIEST LLP

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